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## First Independent Bank will open in Camas

Construction of a First Independent Bank in Camas has been completed.

The branch, located at 2411 S.E. Eighth Ave., will open later this month, with the exact date not yet determined. Grand opening festivities, including dart board games, drawings and refreshments, are planned for Sept. 10-14.

Jeff Firstenburg, vice-president and grandson of First Independent founder E.W. Firstenburg, said there are some Camas and Washougal residents who have been driving to the branch on Southeast 164th Ave., in Vancouver, to do their banking.

"This Camas-Washougal branch has been on our 'to do' list for a long time," he said. "We plan to serve both communities, and we're excited to be in that market."

The new branch will be the

22nd First Independent Bank in Southwest Washington. In addition to providing consumer

and commercial lending services, First Independent also offers deposit and investment services. Payments for Clark Public Utilities, Waste Connections and AT&T Broadband cable bills will be accepted at the new location.

Branch hours will be Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday hours

could be added at a later date.

The drive-up window will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Amy Bergman, a First Independent employee for more than 10 years, will manage the new branch.

For additional information, call 759-3517.

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First Independent Bank will open a new branch in Camas later this month. The location will feature a drive-up window and ATM.